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Do State horticultural extension workers realize the extent to which their work ties in with their lines of extension activity? What means are you adopting for interlocking your fruit and vegetable work with that of the specialists in other lines? What has forestry, rodent control, disease control, farm crops, poultry and bees to do with good crops of apples and potatoes?

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August is a travel month for most of us in the Department of Agriculture and a large number of the men are now on field trips.

Prof. L. C. Corbett, Horticulturist in Charge, is on a trip through the Western States for the purpose of inspecting work conducted at the several field stations, also horticultural work being done by the colleges and experiment stations.

Prof. Close is in Portland, Oregon, on this date and from there will begin his return trip, arriving in Washington about the 20th of the month. We hope to include a report of Prof. Close's trip in our next issue.

Mr. Beattie has made two or three short trips to eastern Maryland, New Jersey, and other nearby points, mainly in connection with sweet potato and muskmelon work. Mr. Beattie is leaving for a trip to the New England States, during which he will attend the field meeting held at the Lexington, Massachusetts demonstration gardens, which are under the direction of Prof. H. F. Tompson.

Mr. C. L. Mulford, who is doing effective work along the lines of home beautification in cooperation with a number of the state specialists and home demonstration agents in the Southern States, is making plans for extending this work to include a larger number of states. Under the plan which has proved so effective in the South, one or two type demonstrations are put on in a county, the work being confined almost entirely to farm homes.

It is very evident that the Stabe horticultural specialists are extremely busy, as the only letters we are getting from them are very brief and confined to direct inquiries about the work in hand,

Meetings during August.

There are several meetings to be held during the month of August that are of special interest to extension hortical turists. The meeting of the Great Plains Section of the Society for Horticultural Science is to be held at Ames, Iowa, August 15 to 18.

The annual meeting of the Vegetable Growers Association of America will be held at Indianapolis, Indiana, August 22 to 25, inclusive. Mr. C. H. Nissley, Extension Specialist of New Jersey, is Secretary to this Association. A strong committee consisting of 25 Indiana growers with Mr. Wm. C. Myer of Indianapolis as chairman, is in charge of local arrangements and it is anticipated that the convention will be a great success.



On August 29 to 31, inclusive, the American Peat Society is to meet at South Bend, Indiana, this location having been chosen on account of the enormous peat deposits that are found in that general territory. While extension horticulturists do not have very much time or opportunity to attend meetings of this character, it is our belief that they should do so whenever possible. Not only can they gain points that will be useful to them for the opportunity is presented to become acquainted with those engaged in the work.

We will appreciate some brief letters as to what you are doing for inclusion in the next issue of the "Extension Horticulturist." If you have something good, don't hide it, tell us and we will tell the other fellows.

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